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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: **Matthew R. Cook et al.**

Appln. No.: **10/808,214**

Filed: **March 24, 2004**

For: **PORTABLE FOOD DISPENSER**

Attorney Docket No: **10773/65**

Examiner: Not yet assigned

Art Unit: 3727

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**Attached is/are:**

- ☒ Transmittal Cover Letter (1p. Filed in Dup.); Information Disclosure Statement (2pp.); PTO Form 1449 (1p.); 3 non-US Cited References
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

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- ☒ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
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- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b), Applicants hereby cite the following reference(s):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
5,524,816 A	June 11, 1996	Zriny
5,588,587	December 31, 1996	Stier et al.
5,145,091	September 8, 1992	Meyers
<b>FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS</b>		
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GB 2 302 534 A	January 22, 1997	Great Britain
GB 1 385 484 A	February 26, 1975	Great Britain
<b>OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS</b>		
Copy of International Search Report from corresponding PCT patent application number PCT/US2004/014936.		

Applicants are enclosing Form PTO-1449 (one sheet), along with a copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2). As each of the listed references is in English, no further commentary is believed to be necessary, 37 C.F.R §1.98(a)(3). Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the above reference(s) and entry thereof into the record of this application.

By submitting this Statement, Applicants are attempting to fully comply with the duty of candor and good faith mandated by 37 C.F.R. §1.56. As such, this Statement is not intended to constitute an admission that any of the enclosed references, or other

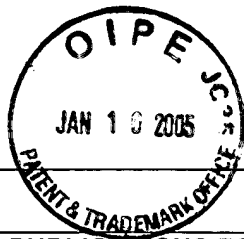
information referred to therein, constitutes "prior art" or is otherwise "material to patentability," as that phrase is defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56(a).

Applicants have calculated no fee to be due in connection with the filing of this Statement. However, the Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency associated with the filing of this Statement to a deposit account, as authorized in the Transmittal accompanying this Statement.

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## REFERENCE DESIGNATION

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## OTHER ART – NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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EXAMINER INITIAL		
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